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Dear Ron

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Our File: 29957

On 1st April 1993 in my absence Nick Marlow spoke to the Examiner in this case and I now enclose an official report on the telephone conversation. This report must be responded to by 19th June 1993.

The Examiner still finds the application open to objection for the reasons noted in the last paragraph of the manuscript report. He is now suggesting an interview which is, I think, the only possible way forward at this stage, as already mentioned in my letter of 23rd February.

I should welcome your further comments on this situation and your instructions regarding attendance at an interview.

Incidentally, the Examiner is the same one who was involved with PM 1267, where he proved to be eminently reasonable. Thus, while not being able to promise success in this case, I am optimistic that we shall not find the Examiner unduly hostile provided we have a tenable position.

Yours sincerely

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